



(U) Profile: SIGINT Policy

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(U) As a continuation of our series of profiles of SID Communications and Support Operations, today we focus on SIGINT Policy.

(U) What would SID be like if we had no policies or rules to guide us? Fortunately, we don't have to worry-- the office of SIGINT Policy is here to help our operations run smoothly. The office of SIGINT Policy:

- Ensures that new SIGINT relationships, authorities, and processes are supported by the necessary policy documents and vetted with the key stakeholders. This creation and vetting of policies can sometimes be a painstaking process, but the results support SIGINT mission requirements. The results also allow us to more consistently understand and implement the associated processes, leading to a smoother flow of operations.
- Documents important precedents and key baselines for continued forward movement. In fact, many of today's policy documents are considered to be "living documents" to keep pace with the SIGINT evolution.

(U) The SIGINT Policy office is very customer-focused. We devote a great deal of time to responding to customer requests worldwide for assistance in locating or interpreting policies applicable to their needs. We also help customers determine which policy vehicle will best accommodate documentation of SIGINT Directorate or corporate approval for a variety of initiatives.

(U) The office also formulates and writes policies to document new initiatives, fill existing policy gaps, or replace obsolete guidance. We choose from the following policy vehicles based on the content and desired audience:

- NSA Policies
- SID Policy Memoranda
- SID Directives
- U.S. SIGINT Directives (USSID)
- SID Facts & Findings
- Memoranda of Agreement/Understanding (MOA/MOU)

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